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Symington Praises U-2 Inquiry

Sen. Symington (D.-Mo.) tonight praised the Senate investigation of the U-2 spy plane incident "as a model for Republicans as well as Democrats."

"No one in this country or the free world can be anything but deeply unhappy over the (summit) collapse in Paris," he said in a speech prepared for delivery before a Nassau County Democratic gathering in Garden City, L. I.

"There has been criticism, of course, as there should be," he

added, "and I am proud of the sober, non-partisan inquiry just completed by Sen. Fulbright and his non-partisan subcommittee. I doubt if our nation has ever seen a more responsible performance."

"There seems to be general agreement now that the Fulbright investigation has been most constructive in isolating the mishaps, misunderstandings, and lack of coordination in the executive branch that led up to the U-2 summit disaster."

Symington, a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination, then asked: "Where do we go from here?"

"To develop the kind of

strength required," he said, "we must achieve a program of American rehabilitation" to modernize the country's defense forces, "galvanize the domestic economy" and organize a program for defending and aiding the underdeveloped nations of the world.

DEMOCRATIC STATE Chairman Michael H. Prendergast said that for the first time since 1933 the Democrats have a good chance to regain control of the New York State Legislature. He added:

"No county, no district, can be counted as safely Republican, now that the Democrats are a statewide party in fact as well as theory."